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In re Application of:) Examiner: Thien Minh Le
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Application No.: 10/616,434	: Art Unit: 2876)
Filed: July 9, 2003	<u>;</u>
For: SYSTEMS AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATICALLY ESTABLISHING MERCHANT ACCOUNTS FOR TRANSACTION CARD USAGE	; ;) ;
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the International Search Report and Written Opinion of corresponding PCT application PCT/US03/393340. A copy of the International Search Report and Written Opinion are enclosed herewith. Applicants note that U.S. Patent Nos. 6,473,500 and 6,189,787, which are cited in the International Search Report, have been cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 4, 2004 in this case. Applicants also note that the U.S. Patent No. 5,577,109 cited in the Written Opinion was cited in the Office Action issued on April 26, 2005 from the USPTO in this case.

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In addition, the Examiner's attention is directed to U.S. Patent No.

6,629,135 B1 listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449, which was cited in the Written

Opinion of the corresponding PCT application.

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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the

Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such

information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by

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